Northern RI Conservation District 17 Smith Avenue, Greenville, RI 949-1480

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, October 5, 2005

6:00 PM

Laurel Grange

Jean called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

In attendance were:

Directors-Jean Lynch, Norm Hammond, Marc Tremblay, Bill Colburn and Paul Dolan.

Association Directors-Cathryn MacDonald, Eugene Pepper and Ed Baker.

NRCS-Mike Merrill – Staff-Gina DeMarco and Wendy Hoyle

I. Minutes

Motion was made to accept the September 7th meeting minutes.

Norm/Marc

Vote unanimous

II. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's and September Financial Reports were distributed.

Motion was made to accept reports. Marc/Paul Vote was unanimous

III. Old Business

a. Scituate Watershed Education Program

-The final report to Providence Water has been completed. This report is 7

pages highlighting the numbers served through this program. Copies of this

report will be sent out to local legislators and partners in the watershed

program. Providence Water has asked the district if we could publish their

financial report for a fee. The board stated that they would like to make sure

there is a distinction between Providence Water and the district.

-There will be a stormwater meeting tomorrow morning at 10:30 in

the NRCS

conference room. This subcommittee will be reviewing the area around

Famous Pizza and will consist of those from URI Home*a*Syst and Chris

Modisette.

b. Curran Park Project

The Dept of Administration requests liability insurance that FFA's insurance

can not equal. It was suggested that Steve Volpe might be able to take out

insurance policy for 1 day. Mike will also check with NRCS about their

automobile insurance. We will check with the school to see if they can get

a rider for 1 month on their insurance.

c. Marketing Strategy

Gina and Wendy have met with one student from Johnson and Wales

University. We discussed possible projects that they could market. The

district is waiting to hear from them to meet again.

d. Annual Dinner

Invitations have gone out for the Annual Dinner on November 4th.

Bob Howard was chosen as Farmer of the year.

It was discussed whether directors or the district will pay for board members

and it was decided that board members will pay for their own meals.

Gina has sent a written invitation to Judy and Roylene.

The board decided to invite Steve Hopkins to the dinner and offer 2

complimentary meals.

IV. Reports

a. NRCS

- -Jade, an engineer in the office will be taking a job in Florida.
- -Mike and/or Andy will be taking on the Aquatics Workshops for Envirothon.
- -Pocasset-NRCS is looking for funding to assist cities to facilitate a stormwater district.

b. Envirothon

They have offered the coordinator position to Laura Lafroda and waiting to hear from her whether she will accept the position.

V. New Business

a. Fuel Lock-In Program

Dupuis Oil has sent a letter asking the district to choose an oil delivery

program. The cheapest way will be to prepay a certain dollar amount for

the year.

Motion was made to prepay \$1,000 for the year. Marc/Paul.

Vote was

unanimous

VI. Other

-RIFCO's annual dinner meeting is Saturday, November 5th at Chelo's

-Ed stated that he would like to resign from the RI Association of Conservation

Districts if anyone would like to replace him. Norm responded that he would

be interested. Motion was made to appoint Norm to the RIACD. Paul/Marc

Vote was unanimous.

Roylene knows the NACD president and will invite him to RI.

Jean mentioned

the annual meeting needs to be held in November.

Motion to adjourn at 6:55 pm. Bill/Marc Vote was unanimous.